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Report of the Secretary-General

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Summary

The present report contains the performance report on the budget of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002.

Performance of financial resources

(Thousands of United States dollars. Budget year is 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002.)

			Variance	
Category	*Apportionment*	*Expenditure*	*Amount*	*Percentage*
Military and police personnel	20 629.7	20 169.2	460.5	2.2
Civilian personnel	9 612.8	8 678.4	934.4	9.7
Operational requirements	10 776.5	11 440.8	(664.3)	(6.2)
Gross requirements	**41 019.0**	**40 288.4**	**730.6**	**1.8**
Staff assessment income	1 527.0	1 489.0	38.0	2.5
Net requirements	**39 492.0**	**38 799.4**	**692.6**	**1.8**
Voluntary contributions in kind (budgeted)	1 376.1	1 356.1	20.0	1.5
Total resources	**42 395.1**	**41 644.5**	**750.6**	**1.8**

Human resources incumbency performance

Category	*Approved*	*Actual (average)*	*Vacancy rate (percentage)*[a]
Military contingents	1 230	1 217	1
Civilian police	35	35	—
International staff	44	41	7
National staff	147	102	31

[a] Based on monthly incumbency and approved monthly strength.

The actions to be taken by the General Assembly are set out in section IV of the present report.

I. Mandate performance

1. The mandate of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) was established by Security Council resolution 186 (1964) of 4 March 1964. The mandate for the present performance period was provided by Security Council resolutions 1354 (2001) of 15 June 2001 and 1384 (2001) of 14 December 2001.

2. The Force is mandated to help the Security Council achieve an overall objective of ensuring peace and security in Cyprus and a return to normal conditions.

3. Within this overall objective, the Force has, during the performance report period, contributed to a number of accomplishments by delivering related key outputs, as shown in the frameworks below.

4. The frameworks represent an improvement in objective-setting. The 2001/02 budget did not include standard frameworks for planned results, which would have been the baseline against which performance would have been measured and reported. Therefore, the Force's performance data for the 2001/02 period are presented in a transitional format showing the actual accomplishments and outputs for which information was available against generic indicators and output types rather than against a baseline.

Component 1: Political

Expected accomplishments	
1.1 Improve relations between Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot communities	
Indicators of achievement	*Actual accomplishments*
Increase in bicommunal contacts	Participation of approximately 7,300 Cypriots from both sides in the largest-ever celebration of United Nations Day Participation of some 4,300 young persons from both sides in a youth function
Output type	*Actual outputs*
Improved relations initiatives	Meetings with civilian authorities on both sides at various levels Contacts with the diplomatic corps, communities and non-governmental organizations Organized United Nations Day celebrations Organized a youth function

Expected accomplishments	
1.2 Progress towards normalization of the buffer zone in Cyprus	
Indicators of achievement	*Actual accomplishments*
Increased cooperation between the communities in the mixed village of Pyla and across the ceasefire line	Achieved several normalization initiatives within the buffer zone with a hospital facility (partly in the buffer zone) cleared in Sector 4, a housing area cleared in Sector 2 and a road reopened for the public in Nicosia An agreement between the two sides to resume repairs to a section of the city wall at Roccas Bastion
Output type	*Actual outputs*
Normalization initiatives	Meetings with civilian authorities on both sides at various levels Contacts with the diplomatic corps, communities and non-governmental organizations Negotiated an agreement between the two sides to resume repairs to a section of the city wall at Roccas Bastion

Expected accomplishments	
1.3 Improve living conditions for Greek Cypriots and Maronites in the north and Turkish Cypriots in the south	
Indicators of achievement	*Actual accomplishments*
Informal positive feedback from communities that living conditions have improved	Achieved
Output type	*Actual outputs*
Humanitarian initiatives	Meetings with civilian authorities on both sides at various levels Contacts with the diplomatic corps, communities and non-governmental organizations Humanitarian visits to Greek Cypriots in the Karpas and to the Maronites in the north Regular meetings with Turkish Cypriots in the south

	26 persons escorted 96 facility visits for mail/money exchange 31 medical evacuations escorted 236 humanitarian actions

Component 2: Military

Expected accomplishments	
2.1 Ensure that the ceasefire in Cyprus is maintained	
Indicators of achievement	*Actual accomplishments*
Calm situation maintained within the buffer zone and 1,000 metres adjacent to both ceasefire lines	Achieved in general
Output type	*Actual outputs*
Violation incidents investigated Patrols	1,644 44 patrol bases manned daily 17,250 ground patrols 790 air patrols 9 patrols per day on various notices to move
Comments: The military status quo was maintained and full support was given to the maintenance of law and order and the return to normal conditions by an effective and efficient Force. UNFICYP's movement remains at an operationally satisfactory level, albeit at an additional cost due to the continued closure of 10 crossing points since 2000.	

Component 3: Civilian Police

Expected accomplishments	
3.1 Maintain law and order within the buffer zone in Cyprus	
Indicators of achievement	*Actual accomplishments*
Law and order maintained within the buffer zone	Low rate of crime within the buffer zone
Output type	*Actual outputs*
Track patrols Investigations Reports on violations of the Maritime Security Line	2,401 522 181

Demonstrations controlled	73
Fires investigated	27
Hunting incidents investigated	189
Reports on unauthorized construction in the buffer zone	14
Village meetings/community liaisons	135
Reports on drilling water-related incidents	92

Comments: Direct talks between the community leaders were supported through the reprioritization of the resources of the Civilian Police, who provided press and police liaison officers at each session of the talks from December 2001 until the end of the reporting period.

Destruction of the "Makarios arms cache" stretched the resources of the Civilian Police as the activity required their presence as a conduit between the UNFICYP military component and the Cyprus Police.

UNFICYP Civilian Police maintained an excellent reputation for fairness with both communities, which was demonstrated by the high level of cooperation received from both communities.

Component 4: Support

Expected accomplishments	
4.1 Increase efficiency and effectiveness in supporting the Force	
Indicators of achievement	*Actual accomplishments*
Level of satisfaction of client offices with support services	Support services received a reasonably high level of satisfaction from client offices
Increased morale from improved living and working conditions for military personnel	Informal feedback from military personnel reporting greater satisfaction with living conditions
Cost savings realized	Net cost savings of approximately $100,000 from outsourcing of support services and the reduction of 42 local posts during the 2001/02 period

Output type	*Actual outputs*
Premises renovated	Major renovation of kitchen/dining room at Camp Berger
	31 refrigeration equipment/25 air conditioners replaced
	Electrical renovations at 10 observation posts in sector 4
	Lightning protection materials installed at 5 observation posts in sector 2
Patrol track maintained	10 kilometres rebuilt/30 kilometres maintained
Civilian staff trained	49
Military staff trained	2 crowd control exercises
	8 medical evacuation exercises
	2 helicopter crash exercises
	2 military skills competitions
	12 safe driving competitions
Implemented replacement of communications infrastructure	4 microwave radio links and telecommunications towers
Implemented replacement of information technology equipment	32 desktop computers replaced
	2 servers replaced
Implemented replacement of medical equipment	2 defibrillators replaced
	1 electrocardiogram replaced
Contracts awarded	110
Comments: During the period, a new security gate at the main access point to the United Nations Protected Area was constructed to allow for closer inspection of non-passholder vehicles and 27 prefabricated buildings were procured to improve the living conditions of the troops.	

II. Resource performance

A. Financial resources

(Thousands of United States dollars. Budget year is 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002.)

Category	Apportionment (1)	Expenditures (2)	Variance Amount (3) = (1) - (2)	Variance Percentage (4) = (3)/(1)
Military and police personnel				
Military observers	—	—	—	—
Military contingents	20 383.6	19 954.5	429.1	2.1
Civilian police	246.1	214.7	31.4	12.8
Formed police units	—	—	—	—
Civilian personnel				
International staff	5 193.4	5 146.2	47.2	0.9
National staff	4 419.4	3 532.2	887.2	20.1
United Nations Volunteers	—	—	—	—
Operational costs				
General temporary assistance	50.0	86.3	(36.3)	(72.6)
Government-provided personnel	—	—	—	—
Civilian electoral observers	—	—	—	—
Consultants	—	—	—	—
Official travel	168.5	108.2	60.3	35.8
Facilities and infrastructure	3 718.4	4 512.5	(794.1)	(21.4)
Ground transportation	1 439.8	1 493.0	(53.2)	(3.7)
Air transportation	1 203.9	1 266.1	(62.2)	(5.2)
Naval transportation	—	—	—	—
Communications	840.6	799.8	40.8	4.9
Information technology	376.9	369.4	7.5	2.0
Medical	193.3	190.9	2.4	1.2
Special equipment	287.4	—	287.4	100.0
Miscellaneous supplies, services and equipment	2 497.7	2 614.6	(116.9)	(4.7)
Quick-impact projects	—	—	—	—
Gross requirements	**41 019.0**	**40 288.4**	**730.6**	**1.8**
Staff assessment income	1 527.0	1 489.0	38.0	2.5
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[a] Expenditure includes $60,000 from the Government of Australia and $1,296,100 from the Government of Cyprus.

B. Other income and adjustments

Category	*Amount (Thousands of US dollars)*
Interest income	822
Other/miscellaneous income	191
Voluntary contributions in cash	—
Prior-period adjustments	—
Savings on, or cancellation of prior-period obligations	3 638
Total	**4 651**

C. Contingent-owned equipment: major equipment and self-sustainment

Category	*Expenditure (Thousands of US dollars)*
Major equipment	741.6
Self-sustainment	—
Total	**741.6**

D. Non-budgeted contributions

5. The value of non-budgeted contributions made for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 is as follows:

Category	*Estimated value (Thousands of US dollars)*	*Actual value (Thousands of US dollars)*
Status-of-forces agreement[a]	124.2	124.2
Subtotal	**124.2**	**124.2**
Voluntary contributions in kind (non-budgeted)[b]	—	63.7
Subtotal	**—**	**63.7**
Total	**124.2**	**187.9**

[a] Inclusive of market value, as assessed by UNFICYP, of the cost of United Nations observation posts and office and accommodation facilities provided by the Government of Cyprus to the Force at no cost for military contingents and civilian police units, including the Force headquarters complex.

[b] Actual contributions received include $29,226 from the Government of Canada and $34,500 from the Government of the United Kingdom.

III. Analysis of variances[1]

	Variance	
Military contingents	$429.1	2.1%

6. The unutilized balance was mainly attributable to cheaper charter flights for contingent rotations and cheaper commercial flights for the deployment travel of military personnel.

	Variance	
Civilian police	$31.4	12.8%

7. Deployment travel was arranged by UNFICYP instead of Headquarters, as originally planned, resulting in lower average travel cost per person.

	Variance	
National staff	$887.2	20.1%

8. The unspent balance was primarily attributable to the abolition of 42 national posts as at 1 July 2001, as a result of the implementation of the outsourcing of catering services in Sectors 1 and 4 in April 2001. These posts were included in the budget proposal in light of the fact that, while the outsourcing process was under negotiation in the first half of 2001, its effective date of implementation could not be determined at the time of the budget preparation. Consequently, the abolition of the 42 posts contributed to the actual average vacancy rate of 31 per cent, compared with the budgeted vacancy factor of 5 per cent.

	Variance	
General temporary assistance	($36.3)	(72.6%)

9. Additional requirements were mainly attributable to the settlement of $29,600 in outstanding charges related to the 2000/01 financial period.

	Variance	
Official travel	$60.3	35.8%

10. The unutilized balance is attributable to the lower number of trips by the Chief of the Force, as well as the lower number of trips by Headquarters staff to provide administrative, financial and technical support to the Force.

[1] Resource variance amounts are expressed in thousands of United States dollars.

	Variance	
Facilities and infrastructure	($794.1)	(21.4%)

11. Additional requirements resulted primarily from the outsourcing of catering services in Sectors 1 and 4 as of April 2001, the implementation of which and related budgetary provision could not be ascertained at the time of the budget preparation.

	Variance	
Air transportation	($62.2)	(5.2%)

12. Additional requirements were mainly attributable to the increase in the number of flight hours by helicopters. Owing to restrictions imposed in the north, which resulted in only one crossing point from the south to the north, additional support was provided by air to locations in the northern part of the mission area.

	Variance	
Special equipment	$287.4	100.0%

13. The unutilized provision resulted from the cancellation of the planned procurement of night observation devices, leading to the delayed implementation of the first phase of a 3- to 4-year replacement programme. Export restrictions imposed on the manufacturer impeded the shipment of the equipment to UNFICYP for a field demonstration and an evaluation of its suitability.

	Variance	
Miscellaneous supplies, services and equipment	($116.9)	(4.7%)

14. Additional requirements were mostly attributable to freight and related costs of contingent-owned equipment, as a result of the replacement of an infantry contingent, which was not foreseen during the budget preparation process.

IV. Actions to be taken by the General Assembly

15. **The actions to be taken by the General Assembly in connection with the financing of UNFICYP are:**

(a) **A decision on the treatment of the unencumbered balance of $730,600 with respect to the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002;**

(b) **A decision on the treatment of other income and adjustments for the period ended 30 June 2002, amounting to $4,651,000 and comprising interest income ($822,000), other/miscellaneous income ($191,000) and savings on or cancellation of prior-period obligations ($3,638,000).**